



February 2001

WHAS'UP?

Dance for Jr. High Students Coming Soon



On Friday, February 23rd there will be a dance held for students in grades 6,7 & 8 only! The dance will be held at the Church of the Ascension from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. 7th grade students Katie Kelly, Jesse Lamb, Caitlin Janson, Carrie Bawol, Laura Connick, Danielle Washburn, Brandi Lautenbach, Nicole McMickle and Stephanie Bice are coordinating the dance. They also serve as members of the Mayor's Youth Council Subcommittee that is made up of junior high students. They are putting on this dance with the intention to raise money for a new Teen Center or recreational facility. A previous dance has already raised \$500, and the goal for this dance is to raise near \$,1500.



Mardi Gras will be the dance's theme, and a \$5 fee at the door will get you in. There will be a DJ to provide the music, and refreshments will be served throughout the night. Look for the students previously mentioned above to be promoting the dance in the coming weeks. If you have any questions about it all please call Corey at 816-5170 for more information.

Falcons Lacrosse

The Fountain Hills Lacrosse teams are looking for some new members to join their teams. The teams are open to boys and girls in junior high and high school. Practices are held every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 2-4 p.m. Practices held during the week take place at Four Peaks South field, while weekend practices are held at Desert Vista Neighborhood Park.

The team is coached by Scott Milligan, and is getting ready for its first game of the season on January 25th. The cost to play ranges from \$40-\$50, with additional fees to cover insurance and equipment. The team is currently a member of the Arizona Youth Lacrosse League. Anyone interested in coaching should contact Scott at 480-551-7139 or Mary Stauber at 480-816-5501.



Check out the Parks and Rec Website at
www.ci.fountain-hills.az.us/ParksRec/index.htm

Disneyland Turnaround Trip

On March 13 the Parks and Recreation Department will be taking a bus full of students to California to spend a day at Disneyland! This annual excursion will depart from and return to the Community Center on Saguaro Blvd. Details of the trip involve a late night departure time, movies to be shown during the drive to Cali, a full day at the park and a stop to eat before the trip back home. The trip will be a blast, so don't miss out. Seating is limited so register early to confirm your seat! Call Corey at 816-5170 to hear more about the trip.

Where: Disneyland, leave from the community center
Dates: Tuesday, March 13, 2001 @ 11:00 p.m. through Thursday, March 15, 2001 @ 3:00 a.m.
Ages: All students in grades 5-12
Fees: \$90/participant, which includes park admission and transportation
Contact: Corey at 816-5170



Pro Sports Excursions

Get your fill this winter of the best sporting teams here in the Valley! The Parks and Recreation Department is offering a trip to see Major League Baseball when Spring Training starts this March! See the Chicago Cubs take on the San Diego Padres on March 10th! We have lawn seats, and plan to get there early to soak up the sun and possibly get some autographs! This trip will leave from Town Hall, and seating is very limited. Register early to reserve your seat!

What: Chicago Cubs vs. San Diego Padres
Where: HoHoKam Park - Mesa, AZ
Dates: Saturday, March 10, 2001
Times: 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Ages: 6-12 grade
Fees: \$7 per participant
Contact: Corey Hromek, 816-5170



St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Please join the Parks and Recreation Department as we celebrate the Grand Re-Opening of Fountain Park and St. Patty's Day! Enjoy the McElligot Irish Dance Troupe, the Spirit of Scotland Band, the Arizona Free-Flyers, face painting by the Mayor's Youth Council, and other surprises. Don't forget to bring your camera to capture the fountain at noon! Dressing in green is optional. The celebration takes place on Saturday, March 17th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please call Amy for more information at 816-5168.



Hip Hop Dance

Do you wanna dance? On Saturday, March 3, 2001 the Parks and Recreation Department will start its fourth session of the Hip-Hop Dance Classes. Lindsey Greer, a member of the High School Dance group at Fountain Hills High School, teaches these classes. She will teach the latest moves that her group is learning at her high school. Classes are split into two different age groups; one for grades 1-4 and one for grades 5-8. The classes are held at the high school dance room, which is located in the gymnasium building. The classes run from 12-1 p.m. and 1-2 p.m., with the youngest group starting at 12:00. Registrations are being taken at Town Hall in Building A. The cost is only \$24 per participant. Don't miss your chance to be a part of the most popular dance class in Fountain Hills! For more information call Corey at 816-5170.



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Youth Town Hall 2001

This one day teen forum, co sponsored by the Boys and Girls Club and the Parks and Recreation Department, provides students a chance to voice some concerns to their community and school, and present solutions that address those concerns. Group facilitators will help to lead the discussions, and a celebrity guest speaker, who is yet to be determined, will address the students. Don't miss your chance to be heard and help make a difference!

Who: Students in grades 9-12
When: Friday, April 27, 2001
Times: 7:30 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.
Where: Fountain Hills High School Library and Auditorium
Contacts: Rich Schultz at 836-0260 or Corey Hromek at 816-5170



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Roller Hockey and In-line Skating

Whether you are a beginner or want some good competition, instructor Joe-Joe Fraser will help you get to the next level. Come out and see what all the fuss is about! This program is for people of all ages and skill levels.

Equipment needed: In-line skates and (for roller hockey) hockey stick and helmet with face cage.

Where: Palisades Basketball Courts
Date: Sundays, February 4-March 11, 2001
Time: In-line skating – 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Roller Hockey – 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.
Ages: All
Fee: \$24 per participant for In-line skating
\$36 per participant for Roller Hockey
Contact: J. Milo Bonnin at 816-5132



MYC Update

By Tricia Severson

The month of January was quite a busy month for the Mayors Youth Council. The officers gave another stellar presentation about the trip to Boston to the Parks and Rec. Commission. A special thanks to the commission for letting us speak. The council will take their long anticipated field trip to the Maricopa Medical Center Children's Intensive Care Unit in February. We also will present the head of the department with a check for \$400 from our ornament sales in December. The money will be used to buy toys and games for the Intensive Care Unit's playroom. It was a life changing experience for all the members who attended. Also in January we discussed our need for a mission statement, and how we can go about creating one. We also re-prioritized and added to our list of goals and planned activities for the year using the many ideas our MYC officers brought back from the Boston Conference.

The December MYC Member of the Month was also announced in January. Congratulations to Tricia Severson, our MYC secretary who received two Harkins movie passes for her dedication throughout the month of December. Upcoming activities include a February 3rd Westby Drive street cleanup. For information or permission slips for the cleanup, or for applications to join the council, please contact Corey Hromek at 816-5170.

Coming Events

There is always a number of programs looming in the near future that are sure to be of interest to the youth of Fountain Hills. Here is a short list of what is to come in the next couple months.

<i>Presidents Day-No school</i>	<i>2/19/01</i>
<i>Mardi Gras Jr. High Dance</i>	<i>2/23/01</i>
<i>FHHS Spring Break</i>	<i>3/12/01 - 3/16/01</i>
<i>Disneyland Turnaround Trip</i>	<i>3/13/01, 3/14/01</i>
<i>Youth Town Hall</i>	<i>3/30/01</i>

If you have any suggestions for future programs, please email Corey at chromek@ci.fountain-hills.az.us.



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